

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, July 9, 1728.

From the Post Boy, July 2.

Rome, June 19.

**S**OME of our Politicians begin to entertain Thoughts of accommodating Matters with Portugal: They ground themselves upon the submissive Letter which Signor Bichi has lately written to the Pope in his own Vindication; protesting, That he has never done any Thing prejudicial to the Holy See; and that whenever he quits Portugal, he shall pay all imaginable Obedience to the Possessors of St. Peter's Chair: But the Men who have hitherto prevented that unfortunate Nuncio's wearing the Purple, flatter themselves that this long Letter will not have it's Effect, and that the Holy Father is too old and too knowing, to rest contented with what they call whipt Cream. 'Tis said the King of Portugal has lodged 400,000 Crowns in the Bank of Genoa, as if for the Use of the new Cardinal la Motta, who is to come into Italy, but not to approach these Walls; and that Cardinal Pereira is to go in the mean while, and execute some Commissions on the Part of the King his Master, at the Courts of Parma, Modena and Turin.

Hague, July 9. Every Thing seems difficult in the Beginning, is a Proverb which we hope will not be verified in the Congress of Soissons: For tho' there have yet been but two general Conferences, and those not upon the Weightiest Affairs; we hope the third will not be long after, and that then we shall see more clearly into the grand Chaos of Affairs, and learn what is likely to be first upon the Carpet.

There was great Expectation in certain Quarters, That the Differences between England and Spain, and namely the Spaniard's Pretensions to Gibraltar and Portmahon, would have been the Leading Card in this good Company; but if I am rightly informed their Expectation is like to be vain.

From the London Gazette, July 2.

Whitehall July 2. His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Sir Walter Yonge, Sir John Evelyn,

Sir John Stanley, Thomas Walker Esq; Sir Charles Peers, Sir James Campbell, Humphrey Brent, John Campbell, Brian Fairfax, Henry Hale, Geo. Drummond, John Hill, Allan Broderick, and Gwynn Vaughan Esq; to be Commissioners of the Customs.

From the Whitehall Evening Post, July 2.

Soissons, July 3. Yesterday Mr. Walpole set out for Paris for 12 or 14 Days. This Evening the Duke Bournonville also set out thither, and Count Zinzendorf goes Tomorrow. The rest are to remain here, but no Conference will be held till the aforementioned Ministers are returned back. At the Arrival of each Plenipotentiary the Cannon are fired.

From the Flying Post, July 2.

Vienna, June 9. 'Tis still said the Emperor will set out from Gratz the 16th of July for Trieste and Fiume, but there is no Likelihood that the Empress will be able to undergo the Fatigue of this Journey. A person of Note was seized the 5th at Night, in his Lodgings, by the Emperor's Order, and conducted under a strong Guard to Prison, where no Body is admitted to see him on pain of Death, neither is he allowed Pen, Ink or Paper, all his Papers were secured at the same Time. 'Tis said he is suspected of having kept dangerous Correspondences, to the Prejudice of the Imperial Court, with several Potentates, and discovered to the Turkish Consul, the present State of our Affairs, and other Secrets.

From Mist's Weekly Journal, June 29.

From Dublin they write, That on the 13th Instant a Ship came in there from Gibraltar, and brought Advice, that the Spaniards since the breaking up of their Camp, had built them Huts, as it were, in a Line quite from the Mediterranean Sea to the Bay, within Cannon Shot of the Place, and continued in them to prevent our Communication with the open Country, as is pretended. They add, That it was strongly discoursed that they were



were also rigging out 23 Sail of Line of Battel Ships at Cadiz, on some Grand Expedition, which was given out to be designed by way of Diversion against the Moors, who had renewed the Siege of Ceuta: But that it was apprehended, it might only be a cover for some Design against Gibraltar, which they cannot brook in other Hands; for which Reason it is added, the Garison was busy in mounting all their Guns to the Southward, and on the Lines facing the Sea. Whether this News be true or not, we have told our Author.

*From the London Evening-Post. July 2.*

*Soissons, July 3.* Yesterday the Duke de Bourbonville went to Paris with his whole Equipage; and 'tis said Count Zinzendorf will repair thither Tomorrow. Most of the other Plenipotentiaries will stay here; tho' 'tis thought no Conference will be held till the Return of those above mentioned. The Danish Plenipotentiary is daily expected here. A kind of Communication has been made between the Castle and the Mall, where the Plenipotentiaries walk after the Assembly of the Congress breaks up. The Repairs the King has made to the Castle, amount to 50,000 Crowns, and the Town has enlarged the Walks 10 Foot at their own Expence. Besides the Invalids, there are 500 Burghers Horse and Foot who mount the Guard, to keep good Order.

*London, July 2.* One Master Jarvis has lately shewn to the Royal Society, a very curious Machine for throwing up Water by 2 Buckets only, without the Use of a forcing Pipe.

*From the Evening Post, July 2.*

*Brussels, July 1.* Some Days ago the Government dispatched a Courier to Soissons, to deliver to the Ministers of the Emperor the Pretensions and Grievances of this Country to be laid before the Congress.

*Soissons, July 3.* The Danish Minister Plenipotentiary is daily expected here. Baron Sparre, the Swedish Plenipotentiary, arrived here Yesterday from London. And the following are daily expected, viz. Count Golofskin from Russia, Mr. Scherf from Copenhagen, Count Franken from the Elector Palatine, and the Abbot Franchini from the Great Duke of Tuscany.

*London, July 2.* On Saturday last died John Law-

rence of Barns, Son to Sir John Lawrence, formerly L. Mayor of London, who was opened by an eminent Surgeon, and above 160 Stones were taken out of his Kidneys, whereof two are of a surprising Bigness and Shape.

Yesterday one Barnaby Macglogan and John Gohagan were committed to Newgate, being charged on the Oaths of Cornelius Obrian and Denis Obrian for High Treason, in enlisting Men for the Pretendar.

S. S. Stock, 104, 34ths.

*Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, July 4.*

*Since our last arrived a Mail from France.*

UPON the Arrival of every Mail, there's the greatest Inquiry after the News they bring from Soissons, from the ardent Desire they have of seeing the Congress brought to a happy Conclusion. Mean-time the Letters from Paris by the French Mail relate, That the Assemblies and Conferences there are suspended for some Weeks; and that several of the Plenipotentiaries were returned thither, amongst them, Count Zinzendorf: To whom 'tis said the Emperor, upon Information that the King of France intends to desire his Imperial Majesty to stand Godfather, in case the Queen is brought to bed of a Dauphine, has given full Power to stand as Proxy in that Case; for which Purpose, his Excellency is to stay in France till the End of July, by which Time 'tis thought the Queen will be delivered.

Tuesday last the Secretary of Collonel Stanhope, our late Ambassador in Spain, also several Officers belonging to the Garison of Gibraltar, and Deserters from the Spanish Camp, were examined before the Grand Jury at Westminster, touching the Behaviour of the Duke of Wharton abroad. The first mentioned Gentleman proved the selling his Patent creating him a Duke, the tearing in Pieces the late King's Sign-manual requiring him to return to his Obedience, the disrespectful Words that pass'd on that Occasion, and the treasonable Expressions he had frequently used. The Officers and Deserters proved likewise the Duke's being frequently in the Spanish Lines and Trenches during the Siege of Gibraltar, his acting in a hostile Manner against the

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Garison, and encouraging the Spaniards to carry on the Siege. After which the Grand Jury found a Bill of Indictment against the said Duke for High Treason; and the Court of King's Bench, 'tis said, will proceed to an Outlawry against him.

Signor Joseph Como, an Italian Merchant of this City, who has for several Years acted as Resident of the Duke of Parma, being ordered to depart this Kingdom in 48 Hours, on account of the Duke his Master inviting the Pretender to his Court and entertaining him there, &c. the said Joseph Como waited on the Secretaries of State, representing the Injury it would be to him as a Merchant, and to his Creditors, if he was obliged to leave the Kingdom on so short a Warning. He was told, we hear, that this Order could not be dispensed with: But that when he was over Sea, and divested of his publick Character, he might return to England to manage his Affairs as formerly.

Some pretend to insinuate, that this Step will not be very pleasing to the Duke of Parma, nor to the Queen of Spain. But be that as it will, it shews the great Care and Attention of our Ministry, as their King and their Country requires of them.

We hear some near Relations of the Lady Mar, applied lately to the Lord Chancellor to award a Commission of Lunacy against her Ladyship, in order to have the Guardianship of her Person and Estate; but there being a Caveat entred against the same passing, there was Yesterday a great Debate and a long Hearing thereon: The Council alledged, That the Estate lay in Scotland, and that the Jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery here did not extend thither. The Council on the other Side alledged, That the Lady Mar was a natural born Subject of England, and that her Husband was attainted, &c. And the Matter is to be debated again Tomorrow.

We hear that on Tuesday last the D. of Wharton's Patent creating him a Duke, which was sold in Spain to our Consul at Alicant, was produced to the Court and Jury. Mean time private Letters from Paris, which came by the Mail Yesterday, mention the Arrival of the foresaid Duke, and of his having renounced the Pretender and the Popish Religion.

This Morning died Evidence Porter.

*From the Evening Post, July 4.*

*Genoa, June 19.* The Report as if Cardinal Alberoni had sailed the 11th on board an English Ship from Sestri to Alicant, proves Groundless, since 'tis assured that his Eminency keeps as yet about Parma.

*London, July 4.* The Remainder of the Fleet lately under the Command of Admiral Hoffer deceased are expected here in about a Month. Convenient Speed will be made to pay off the same; and we are informed that several Vessels will be put into Commission, as Guard Ships in six Weeks Time.

*From the London Evening Post, July 4.*

*Paris, July 10.* The Duke of Bourbonville arrived here the 6th and has been since at Versailles; and some say he will set out the next Week for Madrid; the Duke de Noailles has bespoke a magnificent Organ, of which he intends to make a Present to the Cathedral Church of this City.

*London, July 4.* The Lord Le Poor, a Peer of Ireland, who had a small Pension from the Crown, is gone distracted. Likewise Mr. Whitakelly, a Gentleman belonging to his Excellency Mr. Pointz, one of the British Ambassadors Plenipotentiary at the Congress, is come from Soissons in the same Condition.

*Cadiz, June 22.* Since my last of the 15th current, three more Dutch Men of War, with a Bomb Ketch and a Fire Ship, have arrived here; so that there are now in our Bay eight Men of War, a Bomb Ketch, a Fire Ship and three Store Ships belonging to the States of Holland: They are bound to Algiers, to confirm their Treaty with the Bey of that City; they carry with them a great Quantity of Powder, Ball, Shot, &c. to present to him; but if they should not agree, it is believed the Dutch with this Squadron will endeavour to compel them.--- A French Squadron is expected here from Brest.--- That from Toulon is arrived before Tunis, and it is expected will shew themselves here before the Summer is over.

## ADVERTISEMENT.

[J] These are to give Notice to all Noblemen Gentlemen and others, That ALEXANDER CLARK's Shop in Canongate, consisting of all Manner of Goods and Furniture for Coaches. Chaises or Carriage Work of all Sorts. finished or unfinished, is to be exposed to Roup on Wednesday.

day the ninth, Friday the eleventh, and Saturday the 12th July Inst. at ten a'clock Forenoon. The Conditions of Roup to be seen in William Clark's Hands Vintner in Canongate opposite to the Earl of Murray's Lodging.

††† The Trustees and Committee for the Creditors of MERCHISTON, LETHAM and BLAIR, have appointed a general Meeting of the said Creditors upon Friday the Nineteenth July Inst. at 3 a'clock after Noon, within the Laigh Council-house, Edinburgh. And the Trustees earnestly recommend to the Creditors, on or before that Day to subscribe and deliver in the Assignations in favours of the Trustees, for leading an Adjudication against the common Debtors, as formerly advertised, to John Mein Writer to the Signet, their Clerk, at his Chamber 2d Stair below the Crosswell; the delaying to give in these Assignations being what only obstructs the leading the Adjudication, and consequently, the Sale of the Lands.

††† The Stage Coaches betwixt Edinburgh and Leith being to be set a-going again: Any Gentleman or others who have Black or Bay brand Horfes or Geldings to be sold, fit for that Purpose, are desir'd to give Notice by a Letter, directed to the Undertakers at their Offices either at Edinburgh or Leith, (mentioning their Age and Size) betwixt and the 22d July Instant.

\* \* \* That the Lands and Houses belonging to Thomas Veitch Surgeon in Edinburgh, and disposed by him to Trustees for Behoof of his Creditors, are to be exposed to Sale by the said Trustees, by way of voluntary Roup, together or in Parcels, upon Tuesday the 16th of July Inst. in the House of Patrick Herdman Vintner, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. Any Person having a mind to purchase, may see the Rental, Progress and Conditions of Sale in the Hands of James Veitch, at William Veitch's Writing-chamber at Don's Clois-head.

This Day is published,

† The History of Scotland, from 21st February 1436 to March 1565: In which are contained, Accounts of many remarkable Passages altogether differing from our other Historians, and many Facts are related, either concealed by some or omitted by others; By ROBERT LINDESAY of Pittcoltie, to which is added, A Continuation by another Hand, till August 1604. Sold by Mr. Robert Freebairn, at his Shop in the Parliament Clois, where may be had,

*Treatise on Following of Ground, &c. Life of Mary Queen of Scots. Pittarini (Arch.) & aliorum Poemata. Abercromby's Lives, 2 Vol. Buchanan's Opera, 2 Vol. Guide for brewing of fine Ales. Spring, a Poem.*

††† These are to give Notice, That upon Friday the 12th Day of this Instant Month of July, betwixt two and four a'clock in the Afternoon, there is to be exposed to Sale by Way of publick voluntary Roup by the Trustees of the Creditors of Mr. John Fairholm of Baberton, within the Dwellinghouse of James Fullarton Vintner in Edinburgh, on the North Side of the Street opposite to the Cross, the whole Corns and Crops of all Kinds, with the Meadow and other Hay at Baberton, growing upon the Lands, Mains, Inclosures and others presently possess'd by the said Mr. John Fair-

holm this Year 1728; as also at the same Time and Place, the said Trustees are to set in Tack by Way of voluntary Roup for one Year, the Mansionhouse of Baberton, with the whole Officehouses and Gardens thereto belonging, and likewise the Lands and Mains of Baberton, Inclosures and other Lands, Meadows, and Grass that were in the Possession of the said Mr. John Fairholm, and that either in whole Sale or in Parcels, the Entry to the Labouring of the Land to be at the Separation of this present Crop from the Ground, and to the Grass at Whitunday next 1729, and to the Mansionhouse and Office Houses, Gardens and Pertinents immediately after the Roup. The Estimate of the Crop and Hay to be sold, and Rental of the Houses, Gardens and Land to be set in Tack, and Conditions of the Roup are to be seen in the Hands of James Ramsay Writer to the Signet, Clerk to the said Trustees, at his Writing Chamber first Turnpike within the Head of Sir James Sturarts Clois any Day before the Roup.

††† Whereas WILLIAM DEANE, *Silk Dyer and Linen Printer*, at Canongate Head Edinburgh, having last Year met with suitable Encouragement, and given general Proof of his Colours washing to Perfection, to the Satisfaction of all his Employers, has now furnished himself with a Collection of the newest and nicest Prints from London, which are added to his former Pattern Books, and are to be seen in their proper Colours, at the Post-Offices of Inverness, Aberdeen, Montrose, Glasgow, Stirling, Perth, Dundee, Coupar in Fife, Borrowstounness, Haddington, and at the said William Dean's House, at which Places any Person may make choice of the Pattern they fancy, and mark their Piece or Pieces of Linen, with their Name and Number of the Pattern: Then send in their Goods by a safe Hand, they shall be done with all possible Speed, to the utmost Perfection, at the usual Prices he did them for last Year. 'Tis to be observed, these Colours can only be done during the Summer Season; so the sooner the Goods are sent in, they'll have the better Advantage of the Sun, they being all bleached after Printing.

††† At EDINBURGH, on Wednesday the 16th Day of October next, the Professors of Medicine will open their usual Colleges on the following Branches of Medicine, which make up a complete Systeme of that Science, viz. ANATOMY, human and comparative, Chirurgical Operations and Bandages, by Alexander Monro P. A. & F. R. S. in the Anatomical Theatre of the University.

MATERIA MEDICA, & methodus prescribendi, by Dr. Charles Alison, P. B. R. & Pr. Simpli in the Physician's Hall, who also in the Summer teaches Botany in the Physick Garden.

The INSTITUTIONS of Medicine explained and illustrated by Dr. Andrew St. Clair and Dr. John Rutherford Med. Tutor. & Praef. P. B.

The PRACTICE of Medicine in external and internal Diseases, delivered by Dr. John Innes and Dr. Andrew Plummer, Med. & Chem. L. P.

A complete Course of CHEMISTRY Theoretical and Experimental, demonstrated by the said four Professors.

These three Parts of Medicine are taught in the Chymical Laboratory adjoining to the University.

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